

Mock Trial at Church Party



"What became of Jennie Brice" is the subject under discussion in a mock trial to be given Tuesday by the young people of the First Christian church in the chapel at the church. The defendant is

CELEBRATE AT CENTRAL PARK

Neighborhood Social in New and Modern School Building.

FAVOR SOCIAL CENTER PLAN

Speakers Approve Opening School Buildings for Meetings Not of Religious, Political or Sectarian Nature.

Central Park school, completed in September, was the scene of a big neighborhood celebration last night when the Board of Education supervised festivities intended to express the appreciation of the patrons over the fact that so large and so fine a school building was constructed there.

Dr. E. Holovchick, president of the Board of Education; Superintendent E. U. Graff, Frank Dewey and J. H. Beveridge, superintendent of the Council Bluffs schools, were speakers.

Music was furnished by an orchestra from the seventh and eighth grades consisting of M. C. E. M. Edlin, Richard and Morton Clark, Will Hetherington, Earl Sterling, Miss Minnie Richards, and with Mrs. Hester Johnson at the piano, Miss Martha Gryn and Mrs. Hester Johnson each sang a solo.

A patron of the school presented the building with a pretty picture, "Federation in Doris." The donor was anonymous.

The speakers were almost unanimous in endorsing the open school, declaring emphatically that open schools meant a closer bond of union between the patrons, the teachers and the pupils.

RIVER RENEWS ATTACK ON ROAD'S RIGHT-OF-WAY

FOLSOM, Ia., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—There has been renewed apprehension concerning the danger of the Missouri river cutting a big slice of the Burlington railroad's right-of-way near here and thus making useless the year's hard work and expenditure of nearly \$200,000 in cash.

The present uneasiness is because of indications that the treacherous current of the river is undermining the "made land" immediately above Folsom with the result that it will slice away its eastern bank during the spring rise and cut in behind the two miles of riprapping done by the Burlington railroad and the United States government at a cost of nearly \$200,000. That is a question that government and railroad river engineers are battling with at present.

The riprapping, begun where the river made its attack on the Mills county bank just below Folsom last summer, has been extended down the bank of the river for one and three fourths miles. The mats of willows and wire are eighty-seven feet wide and are sunk in the river along the bank with carloads of rock until the bank has almost the strength of a bank of rock. There are 750,000 square feet of the rock-paved riprap now protecting the Mills county shore of the river immediately below Folsom. The protection has cost the railroad company and the government about \$200,000, \$100,000 of which has already been paid by the government. The greater part of that total was spent by the railroad company in May and June of last summer when such a fight was made to keep the current from undermining the tracks. Since the river has fallen to a low water level the work has progressed rapidly and at a lower cost.

The danger of an attack from above Folsom was first noticed last week. Government engineers and engineers from the Burlington headquarters at St. Joseph were immediately summoned and came to look the situation over. It was found that the current had set in stronger against the western side just above Folsom and had already started cutting. The ice flow in the river had helped in the cutting, the large cakes, bumping into the bank and carrying away huge pieces. During the last week the ice flow has been more noticeable.

DR. AND MRS. O'CONNOR ENTERTAIN AT MUSICAL

LOGAN, Ia., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—A musical was given by Dr. and Mrs. W. E. O'Connor at Woodbine last evening. Nearly 200 were in attendance, not only from different towns in Harrison county, but also from a distance.

The musical was given in the city hall and the building was beautifully illuminated and effectively decorated, the color scheme being pink and green, which also was carried out in the elaborate refreshments served. On the walls of the building hung many pictures of master musicians. The pianists, violinist and vocalists were of Fort Dodge and Council Bluffs and the music was of high order and greatly appreciated by those in attendance. In the receiving line were: Dr. and Mrs. W. E. O'Connor of Woodbine, Miss O'Connor of Omaha, Miss O'Kiley of Fort Dodge and Miss Ella Ryan of Dunlap.

Mrs. E. C. Hill and Mrs. Kenneth Price of Missouri Valley, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Van Roy, Mrs. A. H. Van Roy, Mrs. Tim Shields, Mrs. J. M. Albertson, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Latta, Mrs. B. J. Wood, Miss A. Barnhart and John A. Murray of Logan, Mr. and

SECRETARY OF THE SUFFRAGE LEAGUE OF THE STATE.



MRS. FRANK HARRISON.

Mrs. M. Daly and daughter, Marie, and Miss Ella Ryan of Dunlap were among the guests outside of Woodbine in attendance.

NEWS NOTES OF CUMING COUNTY AND WEST POINT

WEST POINT, Neb., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The Cuming County Farmers' Institute was held at the auditorium at West Point on Wednesday and Thursday. The attendance was large and the interest great. Dr. H. L. Wells, secretary, presided. An address was delivered by A. E. Anderson of Carroll, Neb., a state university graduate who has specialized in agriculture and traveled in northern and western Europe. Arnold Martin of Pawnee county, the "twenty-acre" man, also spoke. He gave a vivid and energetic story of Swiss schools and farms, his experiences as a farm hand, his purchase of twenty acres of underbrush land that no one else wanted, the products that he is gathering yearly from field and orchard thereon, and the possibilities of Nebraska farms if rightly handled.

The body of Mrs. Mary Straka, who died on the Northwestern train en route from Chicago to Nebraska and whose body was taken off the train at West Point on Saturday, has been embalmed and taken to relatives at Nebraska for interment. She was 52 years of age.

Emil Lank and Miss Martha Clatoff were married at St. Paul's German Lutheran church at Waver on Wednesday by Rev. H. R. Bohlsen, pastor. The local lodge of the Royal Neighbors have elected their officers for next year as follows: Oracle, Mrs. Lillian Koch; vice oracle, Mrs. Emma Belling; chancellor, Mrs. Malinda Ackerman; recorder, Mrs. Bertha Krause; receiver, Mrs. Joseph Klotz; marshal, Miss Vlasta Jernan; inner sentinel, Miss Lillian Koch; outer sentinel, Miss Floyd Luedke; manager, three years, Miss Louise Schaefer.

FIRST WOMAN IN MOORE HOME AFTER THE TRAGEDY IS DEAD

VILLASCA, Ia., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Word was received today that Mrs. O. Peckham died yesterday at Bozeman, Mont., where she went for her health. She left here on Tuesday December 3, accompanied by her son, Ernest, her daughter, Hattie, and son-in-law, Dr. E. C. Hough. She stood the journey well and they hoped was getting better.

She had been in poor health for some years, was a next door neighbor to the Jim Moore family, and was one of the first to enter the house after the tragedy, which resulted in the death of Mr. and Mrs. Moore, their four children and the Misses Sullinger.

Mrs. Peckham had failed very fast since then, the shock to her nerves being too much for one in poor health as she was. The body will be brought here for burial. Mr. Peckham did not go west with her.

NINETY THOUSAND-DOLLAR FIRE AT SUPERIOR, IOWA

ESTHERVILLE, Ia., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The town of Superior, the first town west of here on the Rock Island, was over half destroyed by fire yesterday morning at 5 o'clock. It is thought that a defective flow in the store of R. R. Ross, general merchandise, was the cause of the conflagration. The fire spread from one building to another on account of the strong wind until the following buildings were destroyed: R. R. Ross, general merchandise; E. T. Weaver, implement; J. R. Kelt, restaurant; town hall; barber shop; Bruce Edgerton Lumber company. Loss estimated at about \$90,000 with little insurance.

Taber Schools Are Closed. TABOR, Ia., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Scarlet fever has appeared in three families

here and the town council in its capacity as board of health has ordered the schools closed for three weeks and all public entertainments have been postponed.

Pretty Girl Causes Deaths of Two Men

MOOSE JAW, Sask., Dec. 14.—Mrs. Ralph Warwick, a pretty young English woman, confessed tonight at a coroner's inquest that she and Stanley Price, a neighboring farmer, had plotted to kill her husband at their home near here three weeks ago, and had succeeded. Price committed suicide at a hotel here last Sunday and it was at the inquest over his body that the woman made the confession.

Mrs. Warwick gave as the motive for the murder, the officials say, a desire to gain possession of her husband's property and marry Price. She said that Price met Warwick in the latter's stable one night about three weeks ago and struck him on the head with a piece of scumming, killing him instantly. He then threw the body under the horse's feet in an effort to make it appear that he had been trampled to death. The police traced the crime to Price, who came to Moose Jaw, where he killed himself.

Cocaine Smugglers Elude Federal Hunt

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—Twenty thousand dollars' worth of cocaine, shipped from Canada, according to United States customs officials, into Portland, Ore., and then to this city, has become the object of a diligent search by government authorities.

Four men, all waiters in local cafes, were taken into custody by secret service operatives a week ago, but later were given their liberty when a search of their homes failed to reveal any trace of the drug. Special Deputy Surveyor of Port Charles A. Stephens is convinced that the men have been successful in shipping the cocaine out of his jurisdiction.

Egg Prices Reduced to 24 Cents a Dozen

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—Eggs sold generally throughout this city today for 24 cents a dozen as a result of the crusade inaugurated Wednesday. In addition to the 7,000 cases, containing 2,520,000 eggs, sold under the direction of the Housekeepers' league, retail dealers sold from their own stocks at the same price. In some instances an even cheaper rate was charged, one dealer advertising "suffragette eggs, 23 cents a dozen." Some cases were reported of retailers selling inferior eggs for the purpose of discrediting the movement.

PIONEER WEST POINT WOMAN DIES AT ADVANCED AGE

WEST POINT, Neb., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The death of Mrs. Katherine Hunker, wife of Henry Hunker, one of the best known women of West Point occurred this morning. The immediate cause of death was an affection of the heart from which she had suffered for some weeks. Mrs. Hunker was in the seventy-third year of her age. She was, in many respects, a most notable woman, ever active in good works, charitable and kind, of gracious personality and during a residence in West Point of over forty years had endeared herself to the community by the constant and consistent exercise of the Christian virtues of which she was, in an eminent degree, possessed. She was a native of Westphalia, Germany, and came to this country with her husband at an early age. She is survived by her aged husband and seven children, J. August, Fred D., Henry P. and Mrs. Joseph Kellinghouse of West Point, Mrs. John Hugg of Humphrey, Neb., and sisters, Mauritia of Denver and Consolata of Louisville, Ky., the two latter being members of the Franciscan Order. Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made.

EARTH SHOCKS OVERTURN DESKS IN SCHOOL ROOM

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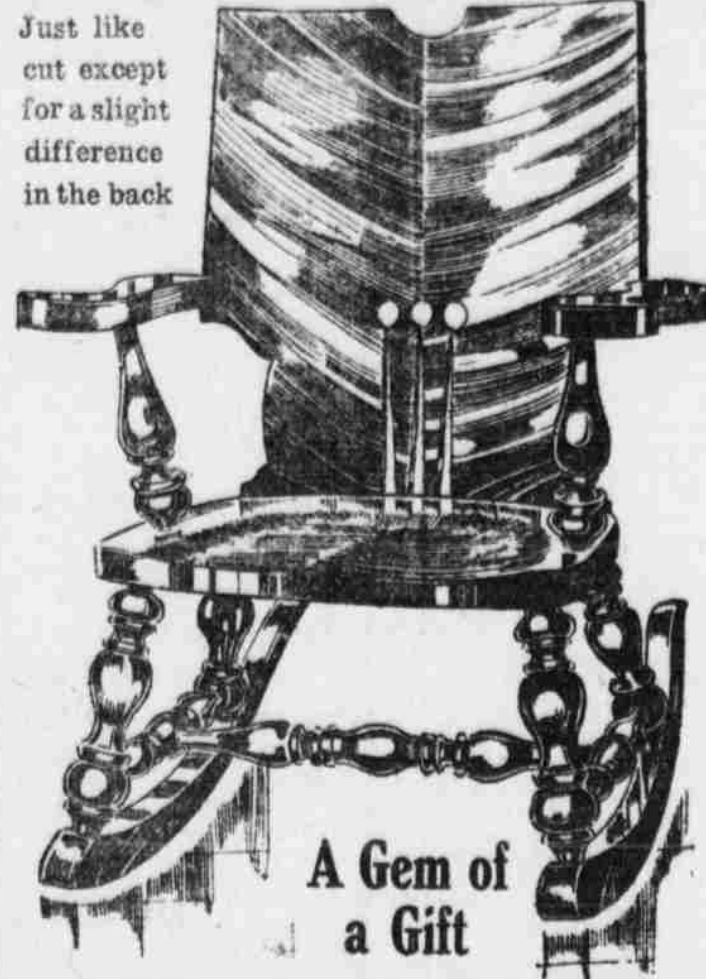
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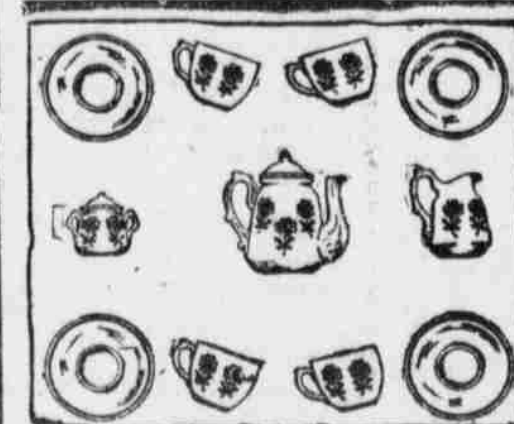
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today, and wrecked two barns near by. Although the tremors were pronounced in the district, they were but slightly perceptible in the city.

THREE-CENT FARE CLAUSE SUSPENDED IN ARIZONA

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 14.—The state corporation commission issued an order today suspending the operation of the three-cent fare law on the affidavit of a railroad official that the rate would not be remunerative. The order will be effective pending the result of an investigation. State and county officials already had been enjoined by the United States court of appeals at San Francisco from enforcing the law until a hearing could be had on January 21.

MOTHER OF CHARLIE ROSS DIES IN PHILADELPHIA

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Sarah Anne Ross, the mother of Charlie Ross, who was kidnapped thirty-eight years ago, died at her home here tonight, aged 78 years. She was the widow of Christian K. Ross.

The fate of Charlie Ross, who was stolen when he was 4 years old, has never been learned, although numerous clues from all sections of this country and Europe were followed by detectives employed by the distracted parents.

DAVID CITY YOUNG WOMEN CHALLENGE ALL STATE TEAMS

DAVID CITY, Neb., Dec. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—The David City Young Women's association basketball team now challenges any girl's team in the state for a game, since it defeated the Lincoln All-stars tonight by a score of 23 to 18. E. W. Brannon, the coach,

thinks he has produced a state championship team. Lucille Hyatt and Fern George held high honors for the game.

Bellwood High school defeated the David City High school basketball team by the score of 21 to 5, following the Lincoln-Young Women's association game. In a quarter mile run between games Chris Cunningham and John Hale took first and second places. Two hundred and ten persons witnessed the events.

Johannes Funeral Sunday Afternoon

The funeral of the late Charles E. Johannes will be held from the residence, 406 North Fortieth street, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, Rev. T. J. Mackay, rector of All Saints', officiating, with burial in Prospect Hill. The pallbearers will be as follows:

Honorary: C. H. Hickox, George A. Josslyn, V. B. Caldwell, C. H. Deuel, J. L. Paxton, E. E. Bruce, George W. Loomis, M. C. Peters, Arthur English, C. W. Russell, W. M. Newton, John McDonald, W. W. Buchanan, L. F. Baxter.

Active: Frank Keogh, Ben Gallagher, E. E. Pierce, Joseph Hunter, E. E. Kimberley, M. W. Cavanaugh, Ed Doran, R. E. Winkelman.

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